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Sir:

Applicants in the above-entitled application hereby claim the date of priority under the International Convention of Norwegian Patent Application No. 1998 5001, filed October 27, 1998, as acknowledged in the Declaration of this application.

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